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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(CRL) 3289/2025 & CRL.M.A. 29852/2025**

AVULA VENKATA NARAYANA REDDYPetitioner

Through: Mr. Vivek Sood, Sr. Adv. with
Mr. D.K. Yati, Ms. Sahi Malhotra, Ms. Anchal
Tiwari, Ms. Pankhuri Jain and Mr. Amit Anshu
Satya Rathi, Advs. along with petitioner (through
VC)

versus

THE STATE & ORS.Respondents

Through: Mr. Yasir Rauf Ansari, ASC
(Criminal) and Mr. Alok Sharma, Adv.
Insp. Sunny Kumar, PS Rajinder Nagar
Respondents through VC

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY DIGPAUL

ORDER

08.10.2025

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1. The instant petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution read with Section 528 of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 (hereinafter "BNSS") [earlier Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (hereinafter "CrPC")] has been filed by the petitioner praying for quashing of FIR No. 20/2024 registered at Police Station – Rajinder Nagar for the offences punishable under Sections 406/420/34 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (hereinafter "IPC").

2. The brief facts of the case are that the petitioner/complainant was induced by respondent no. 1 and respondent no. 2 to believe that he was being appointed as Chairman of the India-COMESA Trade Council, a



position purportedly linked to the international organization COMESA. On their representation that ₹1.05 crore was required for administrative formalities, petitioner paid ₹1 crore in cash to respondent no. 2 after a ceremonial event at Hotel Taj Palace, New Delhi, on 25.08.2022, where he was handed a fabricated certificate of appointment. He also incurred about ₹50 lakhs towards a subsequent event in Hyderabad on 27.10.2022. Later realizing the documents and representations were false, petitioner alleged that both accused persons had conspired to cheat and defraud him of ₹1.5 crore through forgery and deception. Pursuant thereto, FIR was registered

3. It is submitted that the petitioner and respondent nos. 2 & 3 have settled their disputes amicably and are now moving forward towards a peaceful and harmonious future. It is further submitted that the petitioner has been duly compensated by respondent nos. 2 & 3.

4. Compromise deed dated 01.07.2025 is on record and has been annexed as "Annexure 2". *Qua* this deed, the petitioner has agreed to withdraw the case arising out of FIR No. 20/2024 registered at Police Station – Rajinder Nagar against respondents no.2 & 3.

5. It is prayed by the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the parties that the instant FIR may be quashed on the basis of the compromise.

6. Learned APP for the State, who appears on advance notice, accepts notice and submits that there is no opposition to the prayer made by the petitioner seeking quashing of the FIR in question in view of the settlement arrived at between the parties.

7. Heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

8. The petitioner is virtually present before this Court and has been identified by his counsel and Investigating Officer, Police Station – Rajinder



Nagar. Respondent no.2 & 3 are also virtually present in the Court and have been identified by the counsel and the Investigating Officer.

9. On a query made by this Court, the petitioner has categorically stated that he has entered into compromise on his own free will and without any pressure. It is also stated by him that the entire dispute has been amicably settled between the parties. As per the Compromise Deed, the petitioner has received all the payments and dues from respondents nos. 2 & 3 to his full and final satisfaction and has no remaining claims whatsoever against respondents nos. 2 & 3.

10. Keeping in view the fact that the matter stands settled between the petitioner and respondent nos. 2 & 3 amicably without any pressure, no fruitful purpose would be served by keeping the matter pending.

11. In view of the fact that the parties have arrived at a settlement, no useful purpose will be served in continuing the proceedings, rather the same would create further acrimony between them.

12. It is, thus, in the interest of justice to quash the aforementioned FIR and the proceedings emanating therefrom.

13. In the present case, the State machinery has been put into motion and the police has been in the process of concluding the investigation and further the judicial time has also been wasted, it is deemed appropriate to impose cost on the petitioner as well as on respondents nos. 2 & 3. In the facts and circumstances of the present case, the petitioner is directed to deposit a total cost of ₹1,00,000/- [₹50,000/- with the Delhi High Court Bar Association Costs Account, S.B. A/c No. 15530110179338, Bank Name: UCO Bank, Branch Address: Delhi High Court, IFSC: UCBA0001553; and ₹50,000/- with the CDCBA Members Welfare Fund, Account bearing No.



33640110020388 (IFSC Code: UCBA0003364) maintained with the UCO Bank, Rouse Avenue Court Complex, New Delhi] within a period of two weeks from today.

14. Respondents nos. 2 & 3 are also directed to deposit a total cost of ₹1,00,000/- [₹50,000/- with the Delhi Police Welfare Society and ₹50,000/- with the NDBA Members Welfare fund Account No. 18580110013847, IFSC Code: UCBA0001858 (UCO Bank, Patiala House Courts branch)] within a period of two weeks from today.

15. Hence, in light of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court passed in ***Gian Singh v. State of Punjab*, (2012) 10 SCC 303**, FIR No. 20/2024 registered at Police Station – Rajinder Nagar, for offences punishable under Sections 406/420/34 of the IPC, and consequent proceedings emanating therefrom, are quashed *qua* the present petitioner, subject to payment of total sum of ₹1,00,000/- which shall be deposited by the petitioner and a total sum of ₹1,00,000/- which shall be deposited by respondents nos. 2 & 3 within a period of two weeks from today. The receipt of payment is to be deposited and verified by the concerned IO.

16. The petition alongwith pending application(s), if any, stands disposed of.

AJAY DIGPAUL, J

OCTOBER 8, 2025/AS/yr